

DaVinci-Assisted Continuum Robot Navigation and Manipulation

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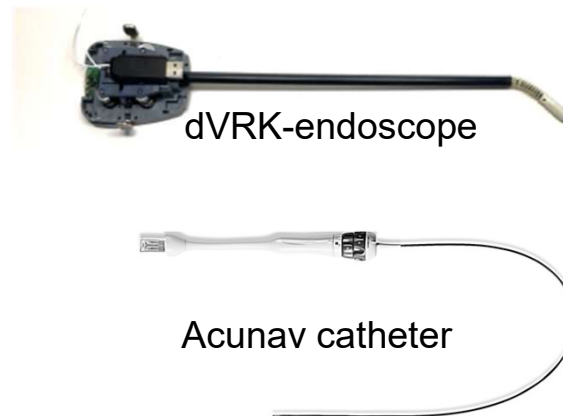
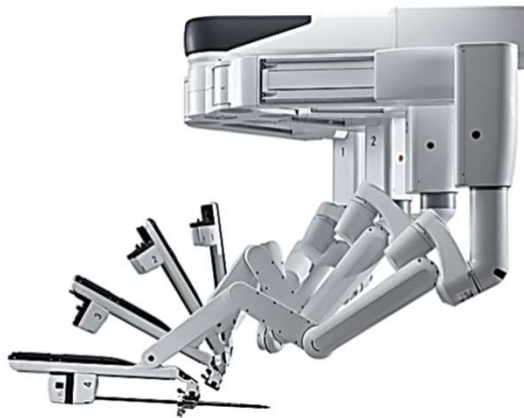


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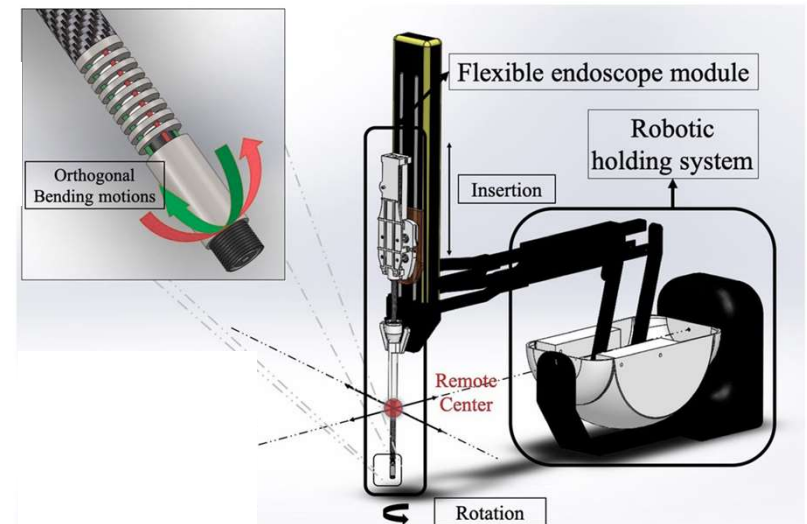
Project Summary

Goal: build a continuum robot navigation and manipulation system with tendon-driven continuum robot end to improve the reachability of the DaVinci robot arm.

- Redesign DaVinci Research Kit with flexible robot end
- Construct forward kinematics model of dVRK-endoscope and dVRK-Acunav
- Apply ROS navigation and manipulation on redesigned dVRK









DaVinci Robot: robohub.org/intuitive-surgical-da-vinci-surgical-system-gets-big-endorsement/



Patient Side Manipulator (PSM) kinematics with flexible endoscope[1]

Dependencies Update

Dependency	Need	Contingency plan	Planned	Hard	Status
End-effectors for testing	DaVinci dVRK, endoscope and Acunav catheter	Rigid dVRK in Robotorium	Feb.27	Feb.29	
Access to hardware Models	Aquire CAD Model of Acunav catheter and DaVinci baseplate	Manually measurement and modeling	Feb.27	Feb.29	
Software installation: ROS, Python, CISST library	License, crtk and dvrk packages	Use Lab Computer with pre-installed software	Feb.24	Feb.27	
Access to dVRK	Access and training from Anton Deguet	N/A	Feb.25	Mar.02	
Identification experiments of continuum end effector	EM tracking system Optical marker Test weights-(removed)	from LCSR repository	Apr.07	Apr.17	
Ultrasound imaging of Acunav	Phantom for testing	3D print a model for testing	Apr.22	Apr.27	

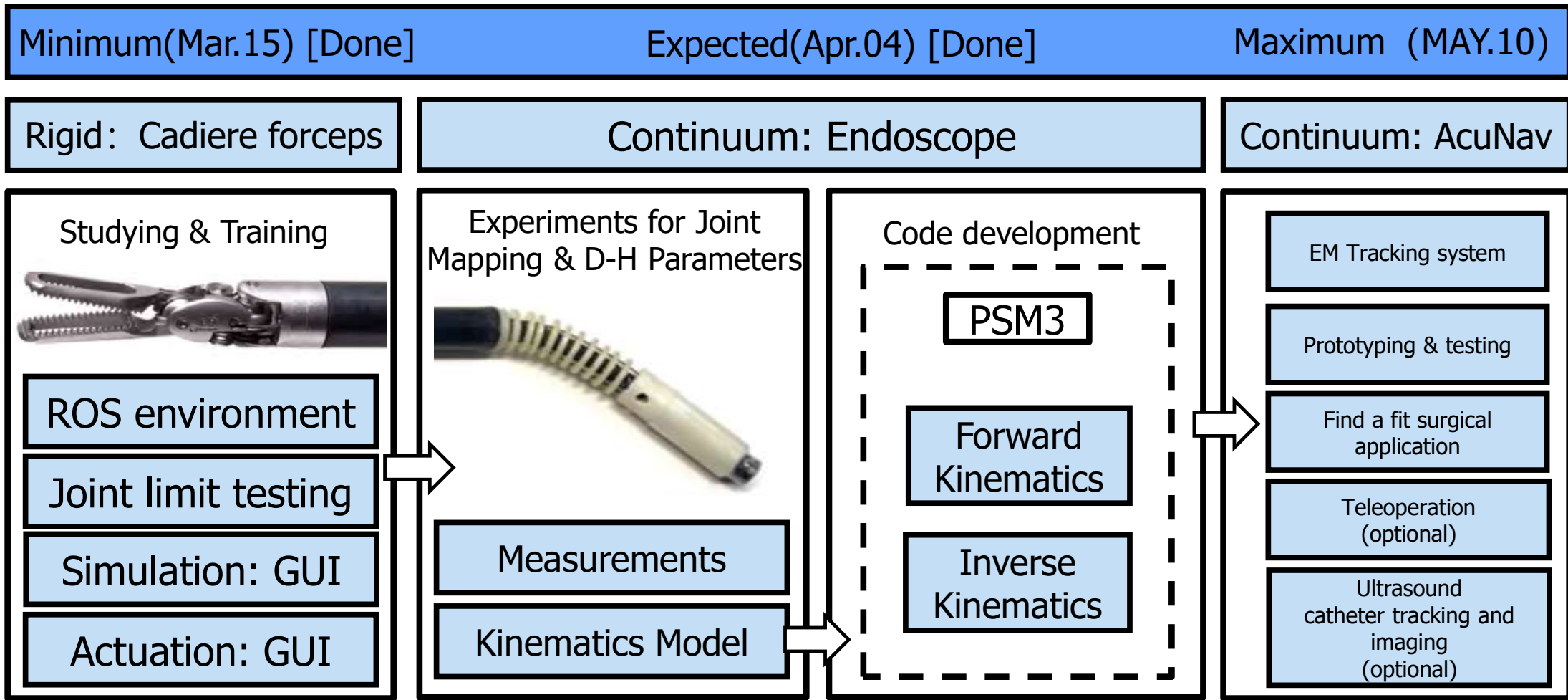
Project Milestones Update

	Key Milestones	Results/Deliverables	Deadline	Status
minimum	Literature & background review	Papers of project proposal and background report	Feb 22	Done
	Connection mechanism research	Document of disassembled dVRK components	Mar 08	Done
	Acunav-dVRK adaptor mechanical design	CAD model of dVRK-Acunav	Mar 15	Done
	Actuating the dVRK through GUI	A detailed documentation of dVRK user guideline	Mar 17	Done
expected	D-H parameter calculation of endoscope catheter	Documented json script of dvrk-endoscope	Mar 25	Done
	Building joint mapping function	Documented python file that use DH parameters and joint mapping function to actuate continuum dvrk-endoscope	Apr 04	Done
	Integrate algorithms that enable precise actuation of continuum effector	A video demo of dvrk-endoscope motion that can follow specific path	Apr 12	Done
	Clarifying project requirements and specification (added)	Detailed documentations of requirements, functional specifications, and system design	Apr 06	Done
maximum	Building EM tracking system on ROS (modified)	An integrated dvrk with EM sensor which can receive real-time ROS command	Apr 20	In progress
	Hardware integration of Acunav Catheter and dVRK	A prototype of dVRK-Acunav that can be actuated through GUI and ROS	Apr 27	In progress
	(Optional) Teleoperation of the catheter using DaVinci dVRK	Documented python file that use PSM and MTM to achieve teleoperation	May 8	Incomplete
	(Optional) Finding a fit surgical application to our DaVinci-assisted continuum robot navigation	A paper of surgical application example that has potential to use dVRK-Acunav	May 10	Incomplete

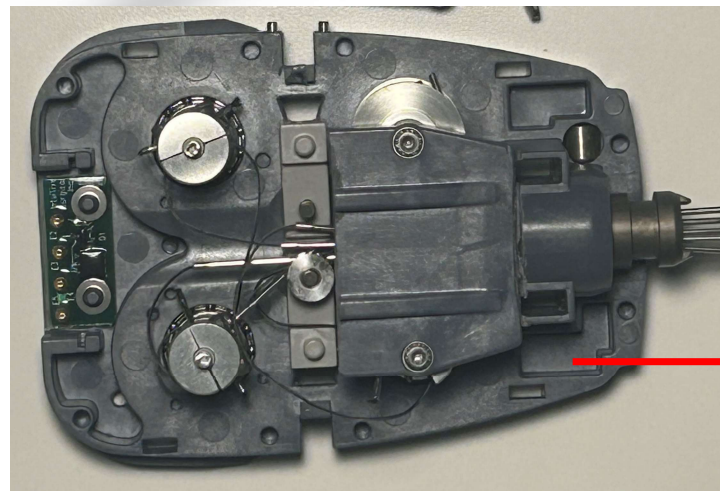
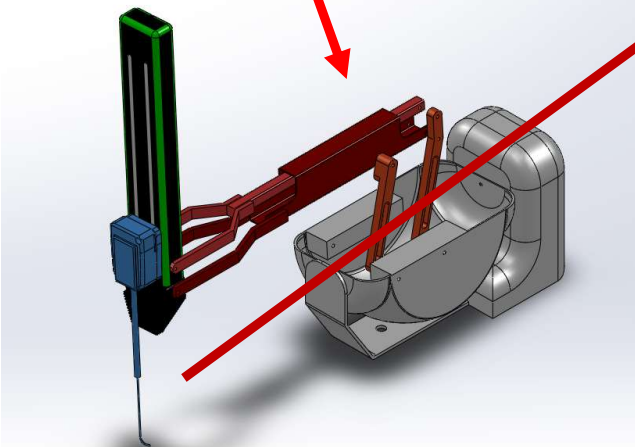
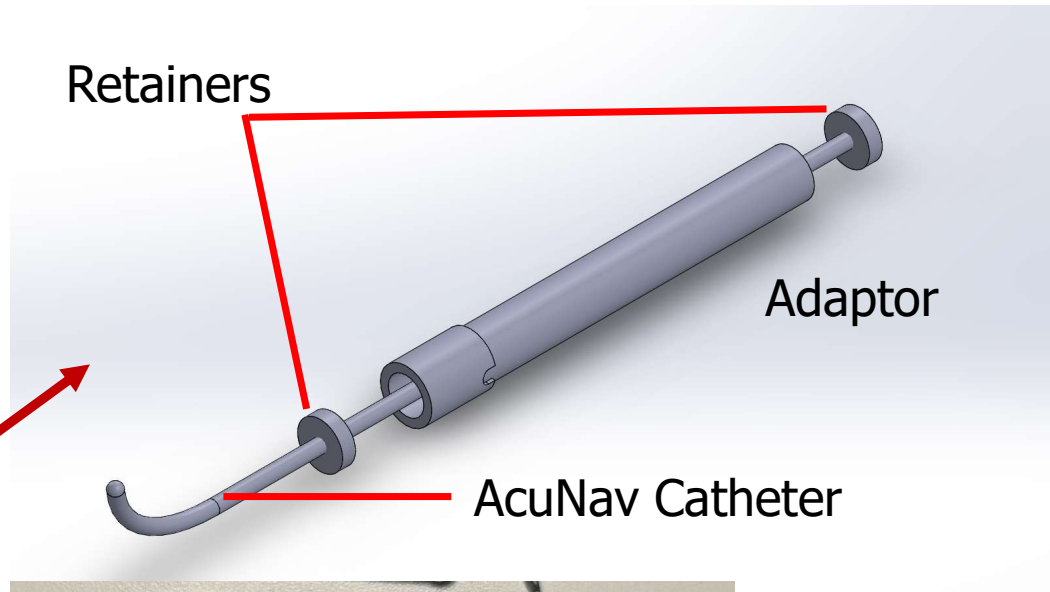
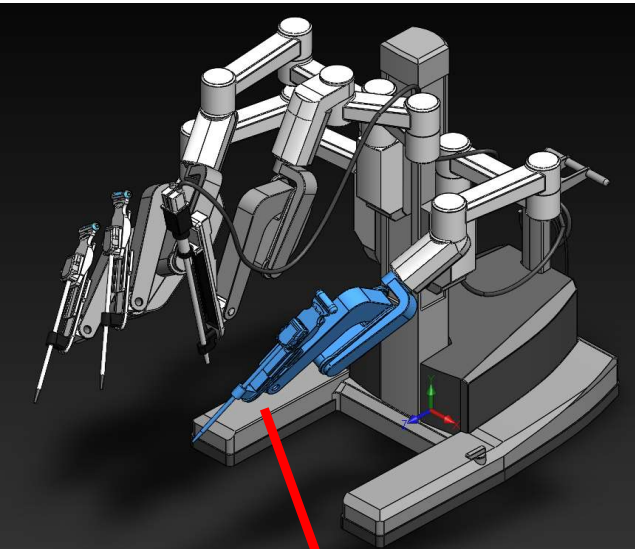
Project Status-Updated Timeline

Project Mentor: Dr. Mohammad Salehizadeh, Anton Deguet, Dr. Russel Taylor			February 11 - May 5, 2023														
			W1 16/2 22/2	W2 23/2 02/2	W3 03/3 08/3	W4 09/3 15/3	W5 16/3 22/3	W6 23/3 29/3	W7 30/3 05/4	W8 06/4 12/4	W9 13/4 19/4	W10 20/4 26/4	W11 27/4 03/5	W12 04/5 10/5			
Minimum	Preliminary Research	Literature Review	█														
		Complete Project Proposal	█														
	Mechanical design	Connection mechanism research		█	█	█											
		AcuNav-dVRK adaptor CAD design			█	█	█										
	Verify the basic actuation function of dVRK assisted continuum robot via GUI.	Training and getting access to DaVinci operation		█													
		Actuating the dVRK through GUI			█	█	█										
Expected	Obtain experimental results needed for identifying catheter parameters	D-H parameter calculation of endoscope catheter					█	█	█								
		Building joint mapping function							█	█							
	Code development and forward kinematics actuation based on endoscope parameters	Constructing the initial state of forward kinematics						█	█	█							
		Integrating algorithms that enable precise actuation of continuum effector								█	█	█					
Maximum	AcuNav-dVRK intergration	Building EM tracking system on ROS(Changed)									█	█	█				
		Prototyping & testing of Acunav Catheter											█	█			
	Find a fit surgical application	Finding a fit surgical application to our DaVinci-assisted continuum robot navigation													█	█	█
		Teleoperation of the catheter using DaVinci dVRK													█	█	█

Current Approach-Workflow



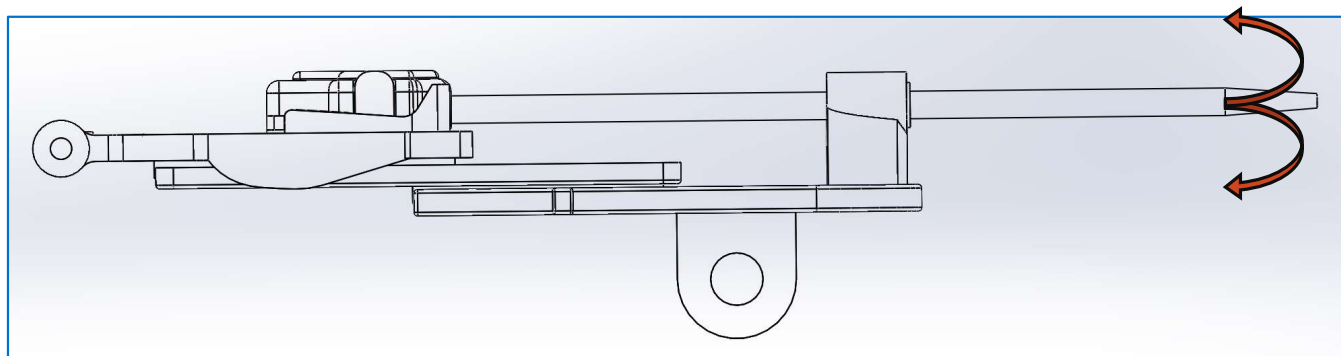
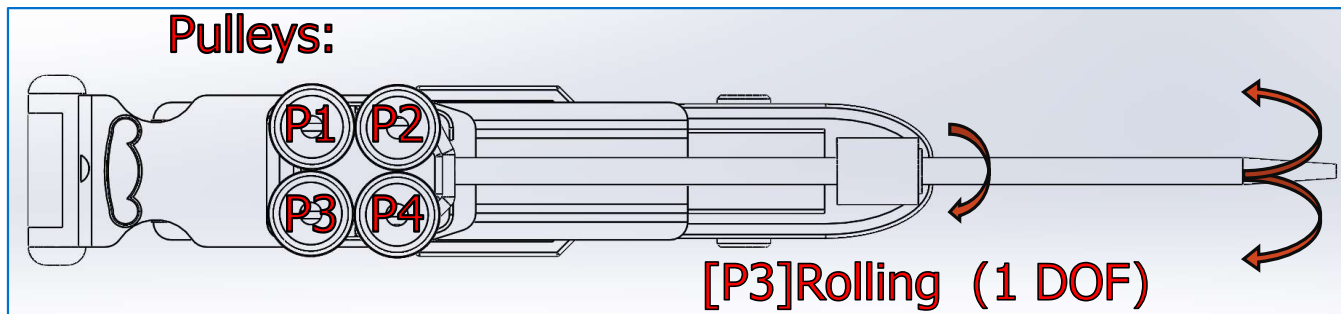
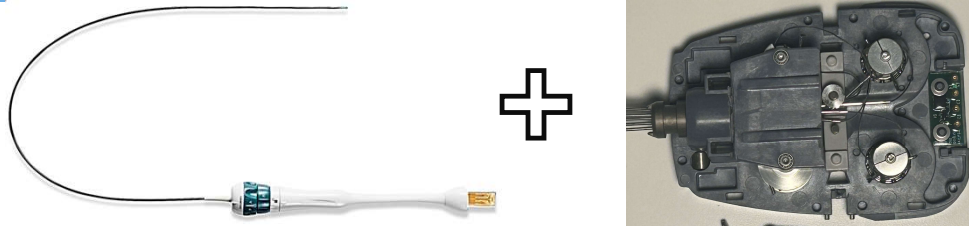
Current Approach-Adaptor Design



dVRK Baseplate

Figures From: https://github.com/jhu-dvrk/dvrk-ros/tree/master/dvrk_model/cad/PSM_CAD_Model

Mechanism of AcuNav-dVRK assembly



Joint Mapping & D-H Parameters

Joint Mapping Functions:

Pitch: $\phi_1 = 2R_c\alpha \cos \theta / D_{knob}$

Yaw: $\phi_2 = -R_c\alpha \sin \theta / D_{knob}$

Rolling: $\phi_3 = \gamma$

Translation: $\phi_4 = d$

R_c : Radius of the catheter

D_{knob} : Diameter of Pulleys

d : Translation

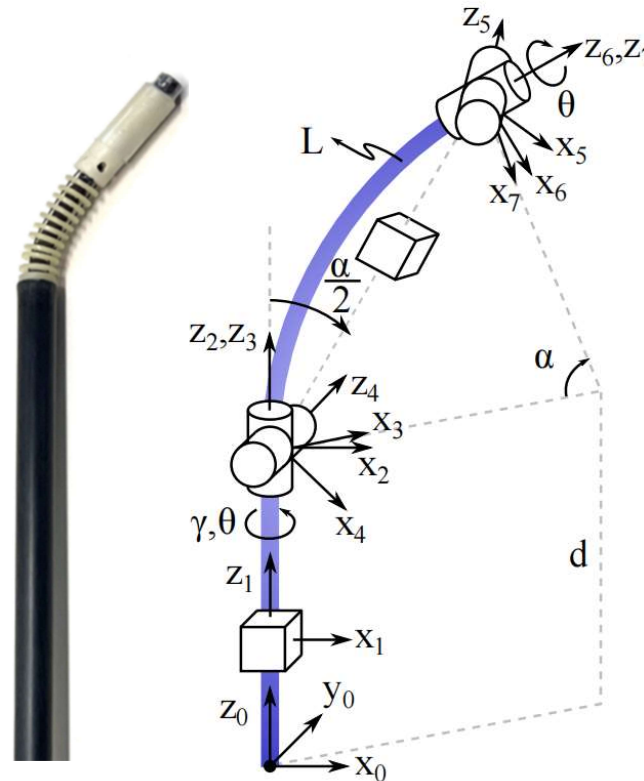
α : Bending angle on the plane

γ : Bending plane angle

θ : Rolling around Z-axis

L : length of the catheter tip

D-H Parameters:

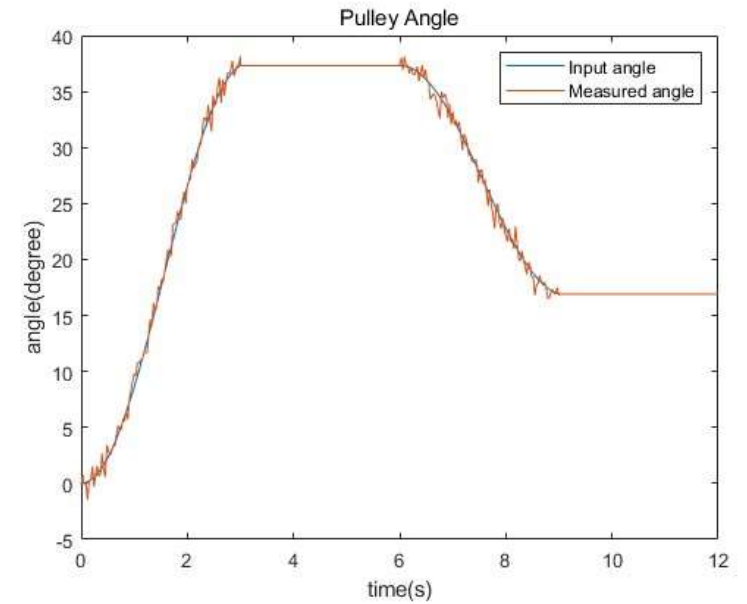
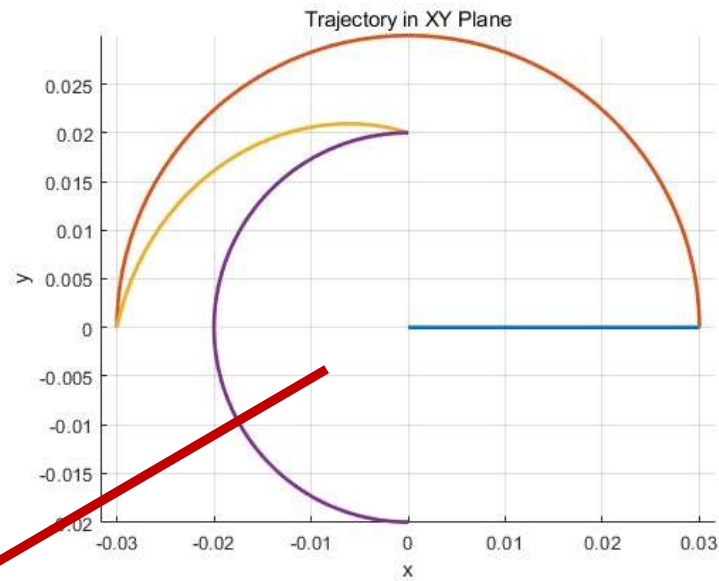


D-H PARAMETERS

Link	a_i	α_i	d_i	θ_i
0 → 1	0	0	d	0
1 → 2	0	0	0	γ
2 → 3	0	0	0	θ
3 → 3'	0	$-\pi/2$	0	0
3' → 4	0	$\pi/2$	0	$\alpha/2$
4 → 5	0	$-\pi/2$	$2\frac{L}{\alpha} \sin \frac{\alpha}{2}$	0
5 → 6	0	$\pi/2$	0	$\alpha/2$
6 → 7	0	0	0	$-\theta$

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Demo Video



Rotation

$$\begin{bmatrix}
 s_{\gamma+\theta} s_{\theta} + c_{\gamma+\theta} c_{\theta} c_{\alpha} & -s_{\gamma+\theta} c_{\theta} + c_{\gamma+\theta} s_{\theta} c_{\alpha} & c_{\gamma+\theta} s_{\alpha} & L c_{\gamma+\theta} (1 - c_{\alpha}) / \alpha \\
 -c_{\gamma+\theta} s_{\theta} + s_{\gamma+\theta} c_{\theta} c_{\alpha} & c_{\gamma+\theta} c_{\theta} + s_{\gamma+\theta} s_{\theta} c_{\alpha} & s_{\gamma+\theta} s_{\alpha} & L s_{\gamma+\theta} (1 - c_{\alpha}) / \alpha \\
 -c_{\theta} s_{\alpha} & -s_{\theta} s_{\alpha} & c_{\alpha} & d + L s_{\alpha} / \alpha \\
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 \end{bmatrix}$$

Position

Transformation Matrix

Future Work

- Replace endoscope with AcuNav catheter
 - Apply existing forward kinematics matrix
 - Implement control algorithms
- Utilize EM tracker
 - Measure tip displacement
 - Reduce error to acceptable range
- Explore potential applications
 - Precise control of the catheter
 - Teleoperation capabilities



dVRK-endoscope



Acunav catheter



NDI EM-tracking system

Responsibility Distribution

- Chenhan Zhang
 - Master's Student, ME Major, responsible for Mechanical Design and Tool model
- Jaspur Jiang
 - Master's Student, Robotics Major, responsible for Verification Test and Documentation.
- Heyun Wang
 - Master's Student, ME Major, responsible for Forward Kinematics Build and Control algorithms .

Management

- Weekly meetings
 - Student team meeting: brainstorming, three times a week
 - Lab meeting: dVRK training
 - Mentor meeting: progress report, 3:30 PM-5:30 PM each Friday
- Platforms:
 - Zoom, Email: communication
 - Github: codes
 - Microsoft Teams: communication, documentation

Reading list

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